GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH $\underline{ \textbf{ABSTRACT}}$

PUBLIC SERVICES – Education(SE) Department – Sri K.Padma Shankara Rao, Deputy Director of Public Libraries O/o. the Director of Public Libraries, AP, Hyderabad – Departmental Proceedings under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh(Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 – Enquiry ordered – Enquiry report submitted – Enquiry report examined keeping in view of the explanation to the Show Cause Notice – 'CENSURE' – Awarded – Orders – Issued.

G.O.Rt.No. 35

Dated:22-01-2009
Read the following:-

- 1)From the Director, Public Libraries, AP, Hyd., Lr.Rc.No.289-A2/2005, Dated.11-11-2005.
- 2)G.O.Rt.No.747, Education(SE.Vig.2)Deptt., Dated.21-11-2005.
- 3)G.O.Rt.No.626, Education(SE.Vig.2)Deptt., Dated.15-09-2006.
- 4)Explanation received from Sri K.Padma Shankara Rao, Dy.DPL, received from the Dir., Public Libraries, AP, Hyd., Lr.Rc.No. 289-A2/2005, Dated.27-10-2006.
- 5)G.O.Rt.No.766, Education(SE.Vig.II)Deptt., Dated.24-11-2006.
- 6)G.O.Rt.No.214, Education(SE.Vig,II)Deptt., Dated.22-3-2007.
- 7)From the Commissioner of Inquiries, Genl.Admn.(COI.JR) Deptt., D.O.Lr.No. 147/COI.JR/2007, Dated.11-4-2008.
- 8)Show cause notice issued to Sri K.Padma Shankara Rao, Dy.DPL vide Govt.Lr.No.21248/SE.Vig.II & Coordn./A1/05-9, Dated.05-05-08.
- 9)Representation from Sri K.Padma Shankara Rao, Dy.DPL to the show cause notice Dated.24-5-08.

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ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the Director, Public Libraries, AP, Hyderabad has stated that Govt., has permitted Dr.S.Ravi Kumar, Director of Public Libraries, AP, Hyderabad for attending two days workshop at Zhejiang University in China from 29-10-2005 to 4-11-2005 and directed to handover full charge to the next officer. Accordingly, the Director of Public Libraries, AP, Hyd., has issued orders keeping Sri K.Padma Shankara Rao, the Senior Deputy Director of Public Libraries duly specifying the additional charge period from 27-10-2005 to 5-11-2005. He has further stated that Sri K.Padma Shankara Rao, Deputy Director of Public Libraries in spite of knowing that the regular Director of Public Libraries has gone on foreign tour and will not be available in the office for about 9 or 10 days, has promoted 14 employees without power to do so and it is beyond his authority to give promotions to so many employees in a span of 10 days and as there is no need to give so many promotions urgently. It is further noticed that during the said period Sri K.Padma Shankara Rao has permitted the Libraries in the State to incur huge expenditure in connection with the celebrations of 38th National Library Week.

- 2. Government after careful examination of the report of the Director, Public Libraries AP, Hyd., Departmental Proceedings under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services(Classification, Control and Appeal)Rules, 1991 has been initiated and accordingly in the reference 3rd read above, Charges have been framed against Sri K.Padma Shankara Rao, Deputy Director of Public Libraries, O/o. DPL, Hyderabad.
- 3. After careful examination of the explanation submitted by the Accused Officer in the reference 4th read above, and not satisfied with his explanation, in the reference 6th read above, Government appointed Sri Janak Raj, IPS(Retd.), Member, Commission of Inquiries as the Inquiring Authority to inquire into the charges framed against the said Sri K.Padma Shankara Rao.

- 4. In the reference 7th read above, the Inquiry Officer has submitted his Inquiry Report wherein he has reported that Basis-1 of the charge is not proved and Basis 2 to 5 of the charge are proved.
- 5. In the reference 8th read above, a show cause notice was issued to Sri K.Padma Shankara Rao duly enclosing a copy of the Enquiry Officer's Report with a request to submit his written explanation within a period of 15 days from the date of the receipt of the said notice.
- 6. In the reference 9th read above, Sri K.Padma Shankara Rao has submitted his representation wherein he has stated that the disciplinary authority to go by with the findings of inquiry officer on basis 1 of the charge that he was kept in full additional charge of the post of Director of Public Libraries and he was empowered to perform all and every functions of the Director of Public Libraries and denied the findings on basis II to V as he did not commit any irregularities or lapses or misused his official position and stated that there was no loss to the government and entire expenditure was incurred on the occasion during the period of regular Director only and expenditure incurred and obeyed the orders of the Chairman under the provisions of APPL Act, 1960.
- 7. Government after careful examination of the explanation submitted by Sri K.Padma Shankara Rao, Deputy Director of Public Libraries, O/o. Director of Public Libraries, AP, Hyderabad keeping in view the Enquiry report and observed that the over all charge of misuse of office against the Delinquent Officer is not proved. At best it can be said that the Officer has been indiscreet but there is no evidence of misappropriation of funds and there appears to be no irregularity in the promotions issued during the FAC period. It is therefore, decided to impose a punishment of "CENSURE" on the Officer warning him to be more discreet in his actions in future.
- 8. Accordingly, Government hereby impose a punishment of "CENSURE" against Sri K.Padma Shankara Rao, Deputy Director of Public Libraries, O/o. Director of Public Libraries, AP, Hyderabad and warning him be more discreet in his action in future...
- 9. The Director, Public Libraries, AP, Hyderabad shall take further necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

J.C.SHARMA, SECRETARY TO GOVT.(PE&SSA).

To

Sri K.Padma Shankara Rao, DeputyDirector of Public Libraries **through** the Director of Public Libraries, AP, Hyderabad.

The Director of Public Libraries, AP, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The Vigilance Commissioner, APVC, Hyderabad. Sf/Sc

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Section Officer